(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of AIR and Doordarshan employees working in Akashwani Bhawan, New Delhi suffered from Jaundice during the months of May-August, 1994; and whether there were deaths on that account also;

(b) if so, what is the exact number of such employees who have suffered and who were on long period of leave as advised by authorised Medical Officers;

(c) whether any enquiry has been made to find out the real reason for the outbreak of Jaundice; if so, with what results;

(d) whether any steps have been taken to prevent spread of Jaundice in future; if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the affected employees have been compensated because they have suffered due to water pollution at their place of work which was through default of theirs; and

(f) if so, what [illegible] amount of compensation in each case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) and (b) 93 officers of All India Radio and 45 officers of Doordarshan reportedly suffered from Jaundice and diarrhea during May-August 1994. There were, however, no deaths on this account.

(c) Yes, Sir. The inquiry report could not point out the exact cause of outbreak of Jaundice.

(d) In order to prevent outbreak of Jaundice, steps have been taken to ensure supply of water fit for drinking and conducting regular tests to confirm its potability.

(e) and (f) No compensation is admissible to the employees in such cases. However, adequate medical facilities are available to the Central Government employees for medical treatment.

Gap between demand and supply of Power in Karnataka

6101. SHRI JANARDAN POOJARY: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the gap between demand and supply of power in the Karnataka is 12 to 15 per cent; and

(b) if so, the steps Government have taken to remove the gap?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILA CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) During the period 1994-95, the energy shortage in Karnataka was 17.2 per cent.

(b) To reduce the gap between demand and availability of power in Karnataka various measures being taken include—expediting the commissioning of new generating capacity, implementaion of short gestation projects; improving the performance of existing power stations, reduction of T&D losses, implementation of better demand management and energy conservation measures. Efforts are also being made to ensure that Karnataka gets its due share from Central Sector Stations in the Southern Region.

Financial Assistance for projects of Rural Electrification Corporation in Madhya Pradesh

6102. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the amount sought by the Rural Electrification Corporation from NABARD for various projects in Ma-

Madhya Pradesh during each of the last three years, year-wise and till date; and

(b) what are the details of such projects in Madhya Pradesh and the amount allocated and released for each of the projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILA CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) and (b) Rural Elecification Corporation, NABARD and Commercial Banks are jointly financing energisation of pumpsets in the country on an equal share (1/3rd each) under the Special Project Agriculture (SPA) Programme. However, Madhya Pradesh Electricity Board has not formulated any SPA Scheme for drawing funds during the last three years i.e. 1992-93 to 1994-95.

गुजरात में सिंगल प्वाइंट विद्युत कनेक्शन योजना

6103. **श्री गोपाल सिंह जी० सोलंकी:** क्या विद्युत मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार ने गुजरात में सिंगल प्वाइंट विद्युत कनैक्शन योजना शुरू की है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसका जिला वार ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(ग) इस संबंध में गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान वर्ष-वार की गयी प्रगति का जिला-वार ब्यौरा क्या है ?

विद्युत मंत्रालय में राज्य मं ी (श्रीमती उर्मिला चिमनभाई पटेल) : (क) भारत सरकार 1988-89 में गुजरात समेत विभिन्न राज्यों और संघ शासित क्षेत्रों में हरिजनों और आदिवासियों समेत गरीबी रेखा से नीचे रहने वाले ग्रामीण निर्धनों के घरों में सिंगल प्वाइंट लाइन कनेक्शन प्रदान करने के लिए "कुटीर ज्योति" नामक कार्यक्रम शुरू किया था । इस कार्यक्रम के अन्तर्गत, आंतरिक वायरिंग तथा सर्विस कनैक्शन प्रभारों के संबंध में ग्रामीण विद्युतीकरण निगम के माध्यम से राज्य सरकारों/रा. वि. बोर्डों को अनुदान के रूप में एकमुश्त राशि प्रदान की जाती है। इस कार्यक्रम के अंतर्गत लाभ-भोगियों का संबंधित राज्य सरकार द्वारा पता लगाया जाता है ।

(ख) और (ग) पिछले तीन वर्षों में की गई प्रगति का जिलावार ब्यौरा, जैसा कि गुजरात बिजली बोर्ड द्वारा प्रस्तुत किया गया है, विवरण में दिया गया है ।

विवरण

पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान कुटीर ज्योति स्कीम की जिलावार प्रगति

क्रम संख्या	जिला	1992-93 के दौरान उपलब्धि	1993-94 के दौरान उपलब्धि	1994-95 के दौरान उपलब्धि
1	2	3	4	5
1.	डंग	250	325	165
		—	280	165
3.	सूरत	281	381	165